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For: **MODULATING ACTIVATION OF LYMPHOCYTES AND SCREENING  
POTENTIAL IMMUNOMODULATING AGENTS BY TARGETING  
PITUITARY TUMOR TRANSFORMING GENE (PTTG) EXPRESSION  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in Response to the Office Action (restriction requirement) mailed July 30, 2002, for the above-captioned patent application. This response is submitted on or before August 30, 2002. In connection with the above-captioned application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following amendment and election of designated claim group.